

I. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 4, 5, and 6, as shown below. All pending claims are reproduced below, including those that remain unchanged. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A system for a telephone, comprising:
 - (a) a mechanical device associated with a conversation element;
 - (b) a memory, coupled to the mechanical device, for storing an internal conversation element representing an audible utterance for a remote listener in an ongoing conversation;
 - (c) a processor, coupled to the memory and the mechanical device, for generating the audible utterance in response to a user interaction with the mechanical device and the conversation element; the conversation element; and
 - (d) a second mechanical device associated with ending a quiet mode; wherein the processor, in response to user interaction with the second mechanical device is configured to accept audible utterances from a party local to the telephone and transmit the accepted audible utterances through the telephone.
2. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the mechanical device includes a first button.
3. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the processor includes an audio generator.
4. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, further comprising:
 - (e[[d]]) an impedance matching circuit coupled to the processor.

5. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, further comprising:
(e[[d]]) an earpiece, coupled to the processor, for receiving the audible utterance and a voice of the remote listener.
6. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, further comprising:
(e[[d]]) an audio output for coupling to a mobile telephone input.
7. (Previously Presented) A system for a telephone, comprising:
(a) a plurality of mechanical devices associated with conversation elements;
(b) a memory, coupled to the plurality of mechanical devices, for storing a plurality of internal conversation elements, each internal conversation element representing an audible utterance to be transmitted to a remote listener in an ongoing conversation;
(c) a processor, coupled to the memory and the plurality of mechanical devices, the processor for generating an audible utterance in response to a user selection of a mechanical device from the plurality of mechanical devices; and
(d) wherein the processor, in response to user interaction with the plurality of mechanical devices is configured to end a quiet mode and accept audible utterances from a party local to the telephone and transmit the accepted audible utterances through the telephone.
8. (Cancelled)
9. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 7, wherein a conversation element from the plurality of conversation elements represents an audible utterance that is configured to disclose to the remote listener that a local party cannot conveniently speak, but wishes for the remote user to continue speaking.
10. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 7, wherein a conversation element from the plurality of conversation elements represents an audible utterance that is configured to respond to a query from the remote listener.

11. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 7, wherein a conversation element from the plurality of conversation elements represents an audible utterance that is configured to disclose to the remote listener that a local party is ending the conversation and will contact the remote listener at a later time.

12. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 7, wherein the plurality of mechanical devices includes a touch screen displaying text associated with a conversation element from the plurality of conversation elements.

13. (Previously Presented) A system for a telephone, comprising:

- (a) a plurality of mechanical devices associated with conversation elements;
- (b) a memory, coupled to the plurality of mechanical devices, for storing a plurality of internal conversation elements, each internal conversation element representing an audible utterance to be transmitted to a remote listener in an ongoing conversation;
- (c) a processor, coupled to the memory and the plurality of mechanical devices, the processor for generating an audible utterance in response to a user selection of a mechanical device from the plurality of mechanical devices;
wherein a conversation element from the plurality of conversation elements represents an audible utterance that is configured to elicit a verbal response from the remote listener; and
- (d) wherein the processor, in response to user interaction with the plurality of mechanical devices is configured to end a quiet mode and accept audible utterances from a party local to the telephone and transmit the accepted audible utterances through the telephone.

14. (Cancelled)